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HOME BURNS: FIRE CAUSE MYSTERIOUS

Fire of mysterious origin completely destroyed the bungalow on San Gabriel Court owned by Mrs. Amelia Churchill and occupied by Mr. and Mrs. T. J. McGowan, Tuesday night. The loss on the house was partially covered by insurance but the contents were a total loss. Mr. and Mrs. McGowan were in Los Angeles when the fire was discovered about 9:30 o'clock by a neighbor, and knew nothing of their loss until they returned to Sierra Madre on a late car.

Incendiary origin has been suggested for the fire. There were several peculiar features which have been puzzling all concerned.

All Efforts Vain

As soon as the fire was reported up town a truck from the Sierra Madre Garage was hitched to the hose cart and a quick run was made to the scene of the fire. The flames had made such headway that all means of fighting were of no avail. Within an hour the destruction of the house was practically complete.

Among the first to enter the premises were Marshal Udell, C. B. Klunk and Milton Steinberger. They found the flames apparently confined beneath the floor, but the joists and flooring appeared to be all ablaze. The chemical tanks were unequal to the job and the nearest hydrant available for the fire hose was about 100 feet too far away to be of service. The fire appeared to be particularly strong about the gas heater, which was of the floor furnace type. Mr. Klunk found the shut off in the gas pipe and turned off the supply.

Save Few Contents

Intending to save the contents of the house if possible, Marshal Udell forced an entrance through the front door. At that instant the flames burst through the floor and forced him to beat a retreat. An entrance was forced through the rear door and some things were removed from the rear rooms of the house, but they were of small value compared to the things which were destroyed.

Furnishings of the house belonging to Mrs. Churchill included a number of rare articles of considerable value, and a quantity of silverware. Many things had a sentimental value far beyond their market value. An insurance policy for $500 on the contents of the house had expired on Tuesday. Mrs. Churchill said it had been her intention to change the insurance to another company and while she was usually extremely careful about insurance matters, had allowed that one to slip.

Mr. and Mrs. McGowan had no insurance on their property in the house, which included a considerable amount of jewelry and clothing, as well as some furnishings. When they returned to Sierra Madre from Los Angeles it was to find they possessed no clothing save what they were wearing at the time.

Gas Valve Lost

Discovery of the fire in the neighborhood of the gas furnace naturally suggested an origin there. Mrs. McGowan said when she left the house in the afternoon she had taken particular pains to turn off the fire in the furnace. She had then gone to Los Angeles where she joined her husband at dinner and they had attended the theater together.

Early Wednesday morning Manager Bivins, and Foreman Irving of the Southern Counties Gas company and Marshal Udell made a thorough search in the ruins for the remains of the gas furnace to see if any light could be thrown on the problem from that source. A long search failed to reveal the valve in the pipe which is controlled by a key from the floor above. The condition of that valve would have shown whether or not the furnace had been left burning, but the valve could not be found. It was of bronze and could not have melted, as the key of the same material was found intact. How the valve could have disappeared or why anyone would want to remove it was one of the mysterious features of the fire.

The gas furnace used is of a type approved by the fire underwriters. It is difficult to see haw the fire could have originated from it unless it had been burning much higher than would have been necessary for the greatest efficiency in heating.

Politics Suggested

Wednesday morning's Examiner contained a sensational story linking the burning of the house with Mr. McGowan's participation with the so-called municipal graft probe in Los Angeles. Mr. McGowan was associated with the Rose-Luckenback campaign committee and various elements connected in one way or another with the Rose administration have been at odds with each other for some time, dating from the agitation over the post-election solicitation of campaign funds from liquor dealers and cafe proprietors. On Tuesday, according to the Examiner, Mr. McGowan had given some evidence in the probe which is including those contributions among other things, and the Examiner jumps to the conclusion that the fire was of incendiary origin and connected in some way with the graft controversy. It is evident from the reading of the Examiner story that it was written without any knowledge of the circumstances of the fire and its conclusion is arrived at solely on the ground of the coincidence in time of the events. Not much importance is attached to the story in Sierra Madre.

Both Mrs. Churchill and the McGowans have had much sympathy in their loss. Mrs. Churchill's house was probably worth from $2,500 to $3,000, with $2,000 insurance. It was a pretty bungalow and she had developed the grounds most artistically.

NEW LAND TITLE LAW

County Recorder Tells How to Act Uunder Provisions of New Measure

In the following article C. L. Logan, county recorder and registrar of land titles, explains the method of recording land titles under the new land registration act, popularly known as the Torrens land law, which has just become effective:

The county recorder, who is also the registrar, now finds himself confronted by two systems occupying one office, charged with the duty of handling the business of both without error; however, until property is brought under the operation of the act as provided by law, the registrar has no jurisdiction; he is not clothed with power to determine the ownership of land when application is made for initial registration, and not until after a certified copy of a decree of court has been filed with the registrar is the title under his control.

Land may be brought under the operation of the land registration act by the owner if he so desires (the act is not obligatory), by filing with the county clerk a verified petition to the superior court which petition must set forth such facts as are required by the act. The court may examine the petition or refer it to an examiner of titles.

Hearing on Title

If it shall appear to the court from an examination of the abstract, or from the report of the examiner, or from the petition where no abstract is required, that the title to the land described in the application appears as alleged, the court orders notice to be given as provided in the act. Said notice requires thirty days' publication. Persons who claim an interest have sixty days after the the first publication of notice within which to appear. At the expiration of the time to answer, the court sets the petition for hearing and proceeds to determine the title to the land described in the petition. At the hearing the applicant must establish title as against the world. If he does so, the court enters a decree, a certified copy of which is then filed with the registrar (recorder), who proceeds immediately to register the title in accordance with the directions of the decree and issues a certificate of title, the original being retained in the registrar's office and a duplicate delivered to the owner.

Cost of Registration

The cost of registration depends on the difficulty to prove the merits of the applicant's declaration. The necessary expense in all cases will probably be $6 for county clerk's filing fees, $4 for publication of notice, $1 to the registrar for filing the certified copy of decree of court and preparing the original certificate and issuing owner's duplicate, a sum equivalent to one-tenth of one per cent of the assessed value of the land, including improvements thereon, must be paid for an assurance fund, and attorney's fees as agreed.

If the petition is referred by the court, the examiner's compensation must be paid by the person in whose favor registration is granted. If an abstract is required, the cost will depend on the length of the search.

In all cases where the land described in the application cannot be identified by reference to an official map on file in the county recorder's office, a plat or plan of survey of the land made by a licensed surveyor must accompany the application.

Several parties may join in one proceeding thereby reducing the expense.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Special Christmas services will be held at St. Theresa's church, Rev. Father M. W. Barth officiating, and with Edward Pelletier at the organ. Solemn early service will be held at 7 a. m., when Battman's Mass in F will be sung, including the Gloria, "Angels we Have Heard on High." High Mass followed by the Benediction at 10 o'clock. The music will include Rosewig's Mass in C with the offertory, Adeste Fideles.

KIDDIES MAKE MERRY

Woman's Club Children's Parties Afford Much Joy to the Youngsters.

The two parties given by the Woman's Club to the Sierra Madre children were very enjoyable affairs. On Friday the younger children including the kindergarten, gathered in a circle round the Christmas tree and happily listened to stories told them by Miss Newton, the kindergarten teacher, and afterwords played many games. They also heard two very pretty songs by two very small singers, Virginia Yerxa and Gordon Webner. Afterwards refreshments were served and each child presented with a gift box of candy.

On Monday the older children were rewarded for waiting by having a grown-up orchestra and a real dancing party, which was enjoyed to the utmost. They were also favored with some very fine music by two talented musicians, the Misses Keller of Monrovia. Dainty refreshments were served to all present and "Home, Sweet Home" was played at 6 p. m.

On Monday, December 28, the annual Christmas high jinks of the Woman's Club will occur. This is for club members only and many stunts are planned and prizes will be given for some guessing contests. Each member is requested to wear some article of clothing backward, go to the rear entrance, and to bring a baby picture of herself. A new England supper will be served at 5 o'clock.

EARLY ISSUE NEXT WEEK

Next week's publication day falling on the New Year holiday, The News will be issued on Thursday instead of on Friday. This will make it necessary for all advertising copy and all news matter to be in one day earlier than usual. All copy should be sent to the News office by Wednesday noon if possible.

CHANGES LOCATION

Dr. L. L. Krebs has changed the location of his office quarters from the Underhill building to the second floor of the Adams building, over Welsher's grocery, where he has fitted up a suite. His office telephone number will remain the same.

POSTOFFICE HOURS

On account of the Christmas rush at the postoffice the delivery window will remain open all day. Postmaster Dickson and his assistants have been able to handle the Christmas rush very efficiently so that there has been no congestion either in the incoming or outgoing mails.

The Dickens Fellowship will hold their next meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 30, at the home of Mrs. J. E. Fairbank.

OBEY NEW DRY LAW

Railroad Announces Arizona Dry Law Will Be Observed to the Letter.

The following news article was sent out by the press bureau of the Southern Pacific Railway. It is important as indicating the changed attitude of common carriers regarding the observance of liquor laws, and which will go a long way toward removing grounds for the plea that "prohibition doesn't prohibit." The article follows:

The Southern Pacific is reminding wine and liquor shippers in general that, owing to the new prohibition law in Arizona, which becomes effective January 1st, it will be necessary for the railroads serving that State to decline to accept for transportation to Arizona points any shipments of intoxicants after January 1st. Likewise, it will not be possible to accept such shipments which cannot be delivered at destinations on or prior to December 31st, 1914.

The law was adopted by popular vote in Arizona; and the railroads, as common carriers, are charged with the same reponsibility as individuals for the observance of it. Agents, conductors and others have been notified to bear this actively in mind.

Interested shippers have been urged to forward any shipments of this nature intended for Arizona points without delay, as the carriers must be sure they can get the shipment into the State by December 31st, 1914, or refuse to accept them.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Church of Ascension, the Rev. Dr. Geo. H. Cornett, rector. Vested choir. Services on Christmas day: Holy communion, 7:30 a. m.; sermon and holy communion, 10 a. m.. Services on Sunday after Christmas, St. John's day: Sunday school festival, 9:45 a.m.; morning prayer and sermon, 11 a. m. All are cordially invited.

Inglewood News.—Los Angeles journalism is improving. The word "Southland" was used only thirteen times in speaking of last week's rain, as compared with fifteen times in mentioning the rain the week before.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Norris are entertaining with a large family party on Christmas day. Guests will be Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Taylor of Redlands, Mr. and Mrs. David Lockhart and daughters, Hilda, Hazel and Marjorie Lockhart of Pasadena, Charles Baker of Los Angeles, and Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Dennison and Miss Morgan of this city.

Mrs. E. S. Bosworth of Chicago, Ill., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Newman Essick for the winter. Mrs. Essick will give several social functions in honor of her guest, the first to be on the 30th of December.

RAIN AND WIND

Cold rains and heavy winds have been prevalent the past week, though the wind was not severe enough to do much serious damage. Telephone and electric light wires which were put out of commission Monday night were soon repaired. The heaviest rain of the year fell on Thursday and Thursday night of last week, and at times on Sunday the downpour was extremely heavy. Snowfall in the mountains has been copious and Mt. Wilson reports two feet or more on the level. Mr. Blumer's rainfall record for the season follows:

Oct.	83	
Nov.	11	
Dec. 1	64	
4	04	
5	05	
10	44	
11	55	
16	26	
17	1.95	
20	1.05	
22	06	5.04
Total to date		5.98

Total precipitation for corresponding period in 1913, 4.97.

Average for the month of December, 3.59.

HOME OF TRUTH

Devotional service at the Home of Truth, corner of Auburn and Carter, Sunday at 3:30 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to all. Services conducted by Harriet C. Hamor. Sunday school is held at 2 o'clock. All children welcome.

Highland Park Herald.—The speaker of the House of Representatives, scheduled for a public address in the city of Detroit, was so drunk when he appeared upon the platform that he had to be pulled off, is the sorrowful spectacle which Champ Clark furnished the people of this nation recently. They say that those who paid to hear Mr. Clark got their money's worth in another sort of entertainment than they had originally paid for, so we need not feel sorry for those who departed with their money expecting to hear one of the country's big men talk. But how fortunate the nation must consider itself that they had a Billy Bryan at the last national Democratic convention and that through his efforts the nomination of Mr. Clark for the presidency was prevented. Many may tolerate occasional drunks with themselves or their friends, but there are few who will view with approval one of the most important public officers of the country appearing before the public so drunk that he has to be dragged off the platform on which he was to speak. We are sorry that Champ Clark is one of the thousands of helpless victims of the liquor traffic. We are extremely sorry that such a man should be occupying one of the highest positions in our nation.

The First Christmas

From the Gospel of St. Luke

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not; for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth Peace, Good Will toward men.

MASONIC LODGE INSTALLATION IS IMPRESSIVE

Newly elected and appointed officers of Sierra Madre Lodge No. 408, F. & A. M., were installed at the special meeting in the Lodge Hall Tuesday evening. The installing officer was Past Master Lemuel L. Test, inspector of the 54th Masonic district of California. J. A. Patterson, past master of Sierra Madre lodge, acted as master of ceremonies. About fifty members and visiting brothers were present to witness the ceremonies which were made unusually impressive. The official roster for the coming year follows:

Robert Hamilton Mackerras, Worshipful Master; Franklin Biederman, Senior Warden; John Dennistoun Mackerras, Junior Warden; Charles Shiller Kersting, Treasurer; Charles Worthington Jones, Secretary; Charles Frederick Gray, Chaplain; Carlton John Pegler, Senior Deacon; Francis Donald Ross Moote, Junior Deacon; Stanley Clinton Pasco, Marshal; Willard Arthur Evan, James Milton Steinberger, Stewards; Henry Willis Timm, Tyler.

Following the installation ceremonies a recess was taken while those present descended to the banquet hall, where a delicious supper was served. H. E. C. Webb, the retiring master of the lodge, acted as toastmaster and one of the most enjoyable social sessions in the history of the lodge was enjoyed. Inspector Test made an impressive address on the obligations and opportunities of Freemasonry, and its possibilities for the individual and the community.

In recognition of his services during the past year Past Master Webb was presented with a handsome ring bearing appropriate insignia. Past Master M. H. Bridle who made the presentation address was at his best and his remarks carried a message which was felt by everyone present. Past Master Patterson and some of the visiting brothers also addressed the gathering with appropriate remarks.

CLEANING UP COUNTY

General Movement for Putting County in Company Trim Gains Impetus

The idea of having a final clean-up before the dawn of the California exposition year has spread over the county and December 31 will find everybody busy getting ready for what is expected to be the greatest year the Southland ever has known.

Mayor Rose has placed official approval on the observance of clean-up day in Los Angeles and San Bernardino is going to have one December 29 Other towns of the county also are going ahead with plans, so that the county should appear at its best when 1915 dawns.

According to James A. Barr, director of congresses for the Panama-Pacific International exposition at San Francisco the majority of those attending the 350 great conventions in 1915 in the Bay City have planned a tour of the Southland.

"The war will not have a bad effect on California travel," Mr. Barr declares. "The tens of thousands who otherwise would have gone to Europe in 1915 now will come to the California expositions. Any falling off there may be in the European attendance will be made up many times by our own people in the east."

The fifteen sub-committees of the 1915 General Committee are busily preparing for next year. The Tournament of Roses at Pasadena New Year's day is the formal opening of the entertainment program, which during the year, will include many novel spectacles.

Alhambra Advocate.—If you tell your intimate friend to "guess what I am going to give you for Christmas," she will doubtless consider it her bounden duty to blow at least $5 more on you than she originally intended.

DINNER FOR IOWANS

The annual Iowa admission day dinner will be served at 7 o'clock—sharp—Monday evening, December 28, 1914, at Christopher's Cafe, 551 S. Broadway. Dinner will be only 60 cents per plate, as we want to bring it within reach of all Iowans who will care to meet each other. There will be a social hour from 6 to 7 o'clock. Come as early as you can. Please reserve your place in advance by card or letter to the secretary, 953 West Seventh street, or phone 52366. There will be more social and less program than usual, but the whole will please you. Our president, Judge Curtis D. Wilbur, will preside.

C. H. PARSONS, Secretary.
The Iowa Association of Southern California. Los Angeles, Dec. 18, 1914.

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Witness my hand this 21 day of December, 1914.

JOHANNA A. SAENGER.

State of California, County of Los Angeles, ss.

On this 21 day of December in the year nineteen hundred and fourteen, before me, A. N. Adams, a Notary Public in and for said County, residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared Johanna A. Saenger, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowleged to me that she executed the same.

Witness my hand and official seal.
(Seal) A. N. ADAMS,
Notary Public in and for said County of Los Angeles, State of California.

Notice of Dissolution.

Sierra Madre, Cal., Dec. 19th, 1914.
To whom it may concern:

You will take notice that the copartnership heretofore existing between Miss Johanna A. Saenger and Joseph A. Kramer, in conducting the Mount Wilson Coffee Porlor and any and all interests connected therewith, has been dissolved by mutual agreement as per records filed in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California. The business will be conducted under the same name as heretofore, viz: Mount Wilson Coffee Parlor, with Miss Johanna A. Saenger as sole proprietor. No contracts, obligations, agreements, orders, purchases, promises or indebtedness of any kind whatsoever will be recognized, incurred or assumed unless made through the personal order of the present sole owner, Miss Johanna A. Saenger.

(Signed) JOHANNA A. SAENGER.

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EDITORIAL CHAT

ONCE MORE—

"A simple wish, but none the less sincere—God have you in His keeping year by year."

NEW RAILROAD POLICY—

Did you read the news letter sent out by the Southern Pacific regarding that railway's policy under the new Arizona "dry" law? If not, read and let it soak into your gray matter how great a step in advance that indicates. Who can imagine a railroad ten years ago taking cognizance of the adoption of any kind of a state law regulating or prohibiting liquor business? The usual policy has been to ignore or to fight actively every restraint offered to such business. The general adoption of such a policy as is announced by the Southern Pacific would remove one of the greatest hindrances to the enforcement of state prohibitory laws and would soon remove most of the grounds for the plea that "prohibition doesn't prohibit."

A CHRISTMAS NEED—

The city fathers could make no better use of their Christmas eve session than to take steps to have fire plugs put all over town at the earliest possible time. Tuesday night's fire simply brings to mind what everybody already knew who had investigated matters. If they can't be put in all at once, at least let a beginning be made. One of the great arguments in favor of the city acquiring the water system was the possibility of securing fire protection. The city now owns the system. Now for the protection. Additional fire plugs of course brings up the matter of additional hose, which should be of approved rubber lined type. That means a hose wagon and other things. But the thing must be done sooner or later. Let's do what we can at once, and plan the rest for the earliest possibly moment.

JOURNALISTIC MURDER—

In the role of character assassins some of the Los Angeles newspapers have few equals. For instance, the Examiner played up on the first page nearly every day for a week stories of a raid on what was termed "the fashionable Bachelor's Club" of Whittier in which several young men and two young women were arrested on various charges of violating the liquor laws and disorderly conduct. Particular stress was laid upon the fact that one of the men was a well known young physician who was an advocate of the "dry" regime. There were numerous insinuations of midnighting "ragging parties" and of booze flowing freely. The raid was good for at least half a dozen first page stories of a column or more in length, with scare heads. When the young physician referred to was placed on trial and acquitted by a jury the fact was given about two inches on one of the last pages of the second section. When the actual facts were brought out it was shown that the so-called Bachelor's Club was a house which had been rented by half a dozen young men who had hired a cook and taken that means of escaping the ordinary boarding house fare. One of the rules of the house forbade the serving of liquor or keeping it on the premises. On the night of the raid the young physician was alone in the house. Four or five men, not members, who had come from Los Angeles on a late car, dropped in and sat down for awhile. Later one of them stepped outside and seeing a couple of young women passing joshed them awhile and invited them in. One or two of the visitors produced bottles of liquor and passed them around, when the police entered, arresting everybody in the building. Possibilities for a sensational story in typical Examiner style are easily seen in the situation. But the evidence showed that the young physician never drinks liquor and had no part in handling the liquor which was passed around. His only fault was in not ejecting his uninvited guests from the building when they showed signs of disorder or breaking the law. But facts were of no interest to the Examiner. Its editor and reporters take no interest in the effect of its misrepresentations and insinuations upon a man's friends or his aged parents. Its only thought is to furnish pabulum for the morbidly curious and to throw mud at whatever is reputed to be clean.

—G. B. M.

MARRIAGE.

See that boat rowed by two men! When they keep time in rowing it goes smoothly over the rough waters, but if not each wave gives its shock, and any stroke of the oar wrongly applied may capsize the frail skiff. Marriage is the bark, the rowers the wedded pair on the sea of life. Only by pulling together can they lessen the dangers of the voyage.—Duc de Levis.

HILLS OF GOD.

The hills of God are hard to climb,
Oh, tender little feet!
They stand up high above the plain
And beckon to the wind and rain,
And one is faith and one is pain,
Oh, tired little feet!

The upward trails are flanked with thorns,
Oh, little pilgrim heart!
The stones that shine so white ahead
Where you must leave your passions, dead,
Oh, little pilgrim heart!

But, ah, the hills of God they lean so close
Against the feet of God.
You see from their sunlit crest
The goal that is your prayerful quest
And hear the voice you've loved the best,
High on the hills of God.
—Sarah Beaumont Kennedy.

THOUGHTS ON MAN.

In one respect man is the nearest thing to me, so far as I must do good to men and endure them.—Aurelius Antoninus.

Men in great place are thrice servants—servants of the sovereign or state, servants of fame and servants of business.—Bacon.

A man is the whole encyclopedia of facts. The creation of a thousand forests is in one acorn, and Egypt, Greece, Rome, Gaul, Britain, America, lie folded already in the first man.—Emerson.

AN OLD BATTLEFIELD.

The softest whisperings of the scented south,
And rust and roses in the cannon's mouth,
And, where the thunders of the fight were born,
The wind's sweet tenor in the standing corn,
With song of larks, low lingering in the gloam,
And blue skies bending over love and home.

But still the thought—somewhere upon the hills
Or where the vales ring with the whippoorwills
Sad, wistful eyes and broken hearts that beat
For the loved sound of unreturning feet
And when the oaks their leafy banners wave
Dream of a battle and an unmarked grave!
—Frank L. Stanton.

MATRIMONY.

He that hath a wife and children hath given hostages to fortune, for they are impediments to great enterprises, either of virtue or mischief.—Bacon.

Coupled together for the sake of strife.—Churchill.

Men are April when they woo, December when they are wed. Maids are May when they are maids, but the sky changes when they are wives.—Shakespeare's "As You Like It."

Marriages are made in heaven. —Tennyson.

Body and soul, like peevish man and wife, united jar and yet are loath to part.—Young.

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FOR BIOLOGIC STUDY.

Scientists Interested In New Marine Laboratory In Massachusetts.

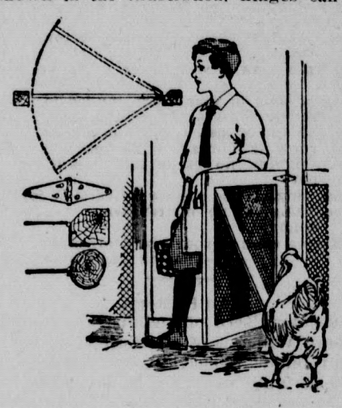
The new buildings of the marine biological laboratory, the gift of the president of its board of trustees, C. R. Crane, at Wood's Hole, Mass., deserve more than incidental notice. Louis Agassiz in America and Anton Dohrn in Europe were among the first to organize seaside laboratories, offering opportunities for biologic investigations that are unique. Dohrn's station at Naples has become a mecca for students from all parts of the world, and the institution at Wood's Hole, which is in a sense a lineal descendant of Agassiz's original plant at the island of Penikese, founded in 1872, promises to have a usefulness scarcely inferior to that of the European seaside laboratory.

The relations of biology and medicine have become clearly established in recent years. A biologic training has become recognized as one of the indispensable fundaments on which the study of medicine is reared. Biology is related not only to the affairs of everyday life, but also to medicine, for which it furnishes the indispensable foundation. Hygiene and public health rest on biologic factors. The marine biological laboratory has furnished opportunities for investigation that shall be unrestricted by the dictates of cus[illegible], inherited prejudices or the unconcealed demands of local interest and sectional factions.

DOUBLE SWING GATE.

Easily Constructed by Bending a Pair of Common Hinges.

Ordinary hinges can be easily bent and so placed on posts that a gate can be swung in either direction. As shown in the illustration, hinges can



ORDINARY HINGES SWING DOUBLE.

be made to fit either round or square posts. The gate half of the hinge is fastened in the usual way. The post half is bent and so placed that the hinge pin will approximately be on a line between the centers of the posts. The gate and post should be beveled off to permit a full open gateway.

Care of the Automobile.

At least once a year, or every 5,000 miles, the engine lubrication system should be cleaned out, and this is best done when the cylinders are taken off for the removal of carbon deposit. With the cylinders off the crank chamber can be well washed out with kerosene. Many drivers omit this annual cleaning, but if they could see the amount of solid matter contained in the old oil they would be surprised. Not only is this largely composed of bearing metal and dust, but also of carbon deposit which forms on the underside of the pistons, peels off in flakes and falls into the crank chamber. This soil material is not only detrimental to the bearings, but it is liable to choke up an oil way, especially in engines having drilled crank shafts.—Automobile Dealer and Reparer.

Oil Leakage.

Some people think there is little wrong with a motorcar provided it keeps going, and the fact that it throws oil at the bearings of the magneto drive or at the ends of the gear box is considered a point of small moment, while tappet leakages are also ignored. In the early days motorists put up with a good deal, but nowadays most people like all the mechanism of the car to be clean, and oil leakage, therefore, is by no means desirable. Gear boxes can be made to hold oil properly, but some people think that it is essential to use thick grease in the gear box and thereby waste an appreciable amount of power. Good oil retaining gear boxes, however, are far superior and should be fitted to every car.—Auto Dealer.

Curing Auto Squeaks.

A squeak in the body or a squeak between the body and frame is very annoying, and it is customary to try to eliminate this noise by running oil between the two pieces. This sometimes does the work, but once the oil is dried out the squeak again commences. There is, however, a better and permanent way of curing this squeak—namely, to make a thin paste of graphite and gasoline and apply this mixture with a squirt gun or feather to the affected parts. The gasoline will evaporate and leave the natural lubricant, graphite, between the two surfaces, and this will permanently eliminate this nuisance.

Driving the Automobile.

The most dangerous time for the novice in automobile handling is just when he first feels that he has mastered the machine and that he has nothing to fear from it; that, after all, it's an easy thing to manage and that he is equal to any emergency. Shortly after that, if his confidence overcomes his caution, he will have his first real fright or his first accident.

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